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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

JOHN C. PARKS, ET AL.

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EXAMINER: BADIO, B.

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

AFTER-FINAL
AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.116

In reply to the final Office Action mailed on May 7, 2002, Applicants hereby request entry of the following amendment:

In the Claims:

Amend Claim 1 to read as follows:

1. (Once Amended) A wet cake comprising water and solid brominated diphenylethane product, which product contains a predominate amount of decabromodiphenylethane, the wet cake having an occluded free bromine content of from about 500 ppm to about 2000 ppm.

Cancel Claims 5-30 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

Applicants request entry of the foregoing amendment on the ground that it places this case in a condition for allowance, or at least narrows the issues and places the case in a better condition for appeal. Upon entry of this amendment, Claims 1-4 will remain in the case. A marked-up version of the above-amended claim showing the changes made by the amendment is attached, as are the required petition for